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1. In the spring of 1951, a course on national defense was introduced into the curriculum of the Academy of Technology, Budapest. The course required three hours a week and was conducted by Captain (Arty) Szijj (sic). Apart from this course, all students of the academy received artillery officer training. For example, about 900 students of the first two classes of the school of mechanical engineering were organized into training groups of about 60 students each who, at the beginning, received primarily basic infantry drill, with each training group under the supervision of an artillery officer. Academy students who had completed their basic training were annually on the first of August called up for one month's training. Military training received at the academy was considered active military service. It was said that graduates from the academy would be commissioned as artillery officers.

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